

REMARKS

Claims 12-13, 18-26, 44-49, 52-82 and 84-120 are pending. Claims 52-56, 84 and 97-101 have been amended in response to the rejections below.

Claim 85 has been amended to recite, *inter alia*, a method of contacting a cell infected with a hepatitis C virus. Support for this amendment is found, for example, at page 12, lines 21-26, which describes a method of treating a *Flaviviridae* viral infection in a host with compounds encompassing the genus of claim 85. Further support for this amendment is found at page 106, lines 27-32, which provides that the definition of "host" includes infected cells. No new matter is added by the amendments.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending rejections based on the amendments and the following comments.

Claims Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner has rejected claims 52-56, 84 and 97-101 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for depending from canceled claims. (Office Action, pages 2-3). Claims 52-56 have been amended to depend from claim 12. Claim 84 has been amended to depend only from claim 67. Claims 97-101 have been amended to depend from claim 85. These amendments render moot the Examiner's rejections, therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the rejections be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested. No fee is believed to be due with this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees or credits to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013 (referencing 417451-999055). If the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (858) 314-1200.

Respectfully submitted,

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